CAUSAL FACTOR: Vehicle Speed - Speed and Alcohol

ROADSIDE DEPARTURE: Right

General Accident Information

Date: 7-7-93 **Weather:** Clear/Cloudy

Time: 0428 Surface Condition: Dry

Accident Type: Drive Off Road Lighting: Artificial lighting

Accident Severity: 4 (K) Land Use: Rural

Driver/Occupant Information Vehicle Information

Driver Age: 20 Year: 1982

Driver Sex: Female **Vehicle Make:** Ford

Impairmen t: Intoxicated Vehicle Model: Mustang/

(alcohol/drugs) Mustang II

Familiarity
with Road: Unknown ABS: No

No. of Occupants: No

Roadway Information

Trafficway Type Alignment: Curve Left

Slope: Grade

No. of Lanes: 4 Speed Limit: 80 km/h

Cluster Variables

GV14: 01 No avoidance actions

GV64: 13 Negotiating a curve

(Median):

GV65: 13 This vehicle traveling off the edge of the road on the right side

GV66: 0 No avoidance maneuver

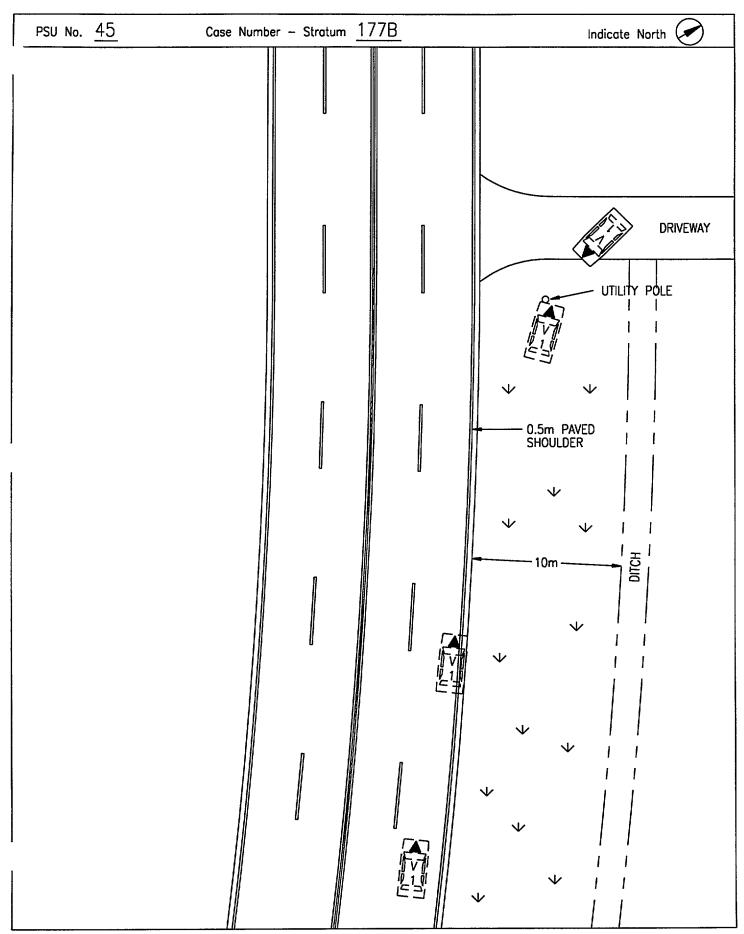
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GV67: 0 No avoidance maneuver

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The subject vehicle was traveling westbound on a dry, dark but lit, asphalt roadway surface with a -6% slope and superelevated at an estimated 0.7%. The vehicle exited the right side of the roadway in a left curve segment, traveled across the 0.5 m wide paved shoulder, and struck a utility pole located 4 m from the roadway edge line. The vehicle's off roadway travel distance was estimated at 35 m. The four travel lanes were well defined by solid white edgelines, broken white lane lines and full barrier yellow centerlines. The driver was traveling at a high rate of speed while under the influence of alcohol (BAC=0.17). The causal factor was the vehicle's speed in combination with the driver's alcohol consumption.



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Scale: 1/250

Vehicle Dynamic Scenario

